

131 Locators Association Inc.

Minutes for the Ordinary Meeting of the 131 Locators Association Inc. held at Canley Heights RSL& Sporting Club at 11.00AM on 19th March 2013.

Attendees were:, Ernest Newbold, Grahame Dignam, George Lane, Robert Billiards, Allen Morley, Ian Amos, Nick Proskurin, Ged Carroll, Bert Blink.

Item 1	Welcome from Chair President Allen Morley
Item 2	Apologies: Paul Dickson, Vic Danko.
Item 3	Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted
	Moved George Lane Seconded Nick Proskurin Accepted with minor changes
Item 4	Issues arising from previous minutes. Item 6 –review of changes to the Constitution reveal minor changes only to clarify meanings. Committee unanimously agreed to changes (see attached document).
	Moved Nick Proskurin Seconded Bert Blink Accepted
Item 5	Financial Report:
	The Treasurer provided a financial snapshot with copies of Bank statements showing cash at Bank \$ 8690.49. The balance includes amounts totaling \$220 pledged to support the Gunner Walk and with \$120 other money a total of \$340 will be passed on to the Appeals Bank Account shown in the correspondence previously circulated
	Decal sales to date have realised \$ 512 (LSTAA has enquired re 50 decals @ \$150 not yet finalised) Membership fees \$160 J Dicks & C Boully Interest \$13

	Membership. New Members : J Dicks & C Boully both have joined on 5 years memberships Total active now 124 made up of Affiliates 8, Associates 2, and Financial 114.	
	Moved Ged Carroll Second George Lane Accepted	
Item 6	Correspondence. As circulated with the Agenda: Appeal to support fight against motor neurone disease. Eyes & Ears to be available on the website and email advice from Ed. P Dickson asks for a letter of support for Medics Mental Health App for Vets and ADF members from Ern Newbold Notice of Pension Increases in March 2013 by DVA from Terry Erbs Reports on Military Weekend Memorial in Seymour Vic by many Arrangements re Banners for Anzac Days —Sydney and Coffs Harbour Vale Nev Atkinson 14 Dec 1996 & Michael Delaney (a Memorial for Mick to be held in Sydney on 23 March 2013 at Sydney University). Other items received: A message from PR & MP Brooks re a tourist opportunity for Viet Vets to travel with other vets to Vietnam in Sept/Oct 2013. See future editions of Eyes & Ears.	
	Moved George Lane Second Bert Blink Accepted	
Item 7	Presidents Report. Allen Morley	
Item 8	Public Officers Report. Vic has produced a "Memo for Discussion" see attached. The idea would give added purpose and more meaning to the Association members while achieving something worthwhile for "someone or group" in need. General reaction has been unanimously positive so we now need to begin identifying projects that fit the criteria.	
	Moved GDignam Second George Lane Accepted	

Item 9	Bob Billiards report on Website matters. Monthly activity is reducing as Website information is being fully populate requiring less maintenance activity.	d
	Moved Geo Lane Second Allen Morley Accepted	
Item 10	Refer to Item 3 in Correspondence.	
Item 11	Refer to Item 6 in Correspondence.	
Item 12	Other Business. Nil	
Item 13	Next Meeting: 16 th April 2013 at Canley Heights RSL& Sporting Club.	
	Meeting closed at 1230 hours ADST	
	Signed A Morley Chairman	

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Changes to 131 Locators Association Constitution:

Dot Point Number 5 to be amended:

To provide (Delete "directed") advice and information to 131 Battery soldiers who may need assistance for health and related (Delete: reasons) (Insert: issues und issues relating to their and their relatives' entitlements).

To read so:

To provide advice and information to 131 Battery soldiers who may need assistance for health and related issues and issues relating to their and their relatives' entitlements.

Dot Point Number 6 to be amended:

To do all such things as by law permitted that may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the (Delete: objects) (Insert: objectives) or as may be deemed necessary or expedient in the best interests of the Association (Add: and its members).

To read so:

To do all such things as by law permitted that may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives or as may be deemed necessary or expedient in the best interests of the Association and its members.

Note: there is no conflict in the Constitution regarding the Quorum required for Committee meetings or Annual General Meetings - they are two separate events.

From Vic

Memo for Discussion

"Support Projects "for 131 Locators Assoc Members

I've submitted a suggestion that 131 ought to consider introducing / developing (what ever words) "support projects "for its membership.

Why?

Give membership some cohesion towards a common outcome. Sense of contribution to a worthwhile cause. Achievement, bringing friends together.

What's a "Support Project "(however else called?)

- 1. Something which effects the needs of a member or a member's immediate family and we at 131 make a contribution towards meeting that need (helping alleviate) either thru a dollar contribution or some physical / service efforts.
- 2. Examples: (a) Member or family (granddaughter) needs expensive medical attention (b) A grandchild demonstrates outstanding talent in a particular field and 131 contributes towards travel costs or training to help child achieve potential. (C) Helping a less mobile member.

What wouldn't be : a support project , examples :

A cause (albeit worthwhile) which doesn't have direct relationship to 131 and its members (e.g. . World Vision)

How would we start ?

This "initiative" is introduced in E & E and the website with a fully descriptive memo of how it would operate .

Within this memo certain parameters would be described (a) we'd only try to do 2 (say) projects per annum (b) each project would have a finite timetable (say up to 3 months) (c) our targets would be modest (say raise \$1000 for the project). (d) progress and outcomes would be reported on the website.

How would we operate:

 Members would be invited to submit project suggestions (keeping in mind the parameters) 131 Committee , may need to respond with questions and details .

- 2. Potential project/s (if more than one at the same time) would be posted on the website ("potential Projects").
- 3. There'd be, say, a 7 day comment /vote period.
- 4. At the end of the period , one project would be selected by reference to "most supported "
- 5. 131 would have a separate account set up "project account ". The project period would depend on the project and in any event be no more than 3 months.
- 6. The project may be achieved by donation s from members , some activities like raffles / events , etc
- 7. At the end of the period the balance in the account would be donated to the recipient by 131.

And so on , There need not be a queue of projects . E & E would carry progress reports and outcomes .

Tax Deductible status?

This is a status which 131 could not achieve. The "Deductible Gift Recipient" status from ATO is more difficult that a knighthood!